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# Web-Based ADAMS: Providing Public Access to the NRC's Official Agency Document Repository

# Searching the NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS)

#### Web-based ADAMS (WBA)

Provides access to two ADAMS libraries:
 Public Library and Public Legacy Library

#### WBA—Public Library

- Full-text records in PDF format
- Documents range from November 1999 to the present

#### WBA-Legacy

- Bibliographic records for NRC documents
- Documents predate November 1999
   and are available on microfiche in the
   Public Document Room (PDR)

#### WBA User Guide

 http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams/ wba-user-guide.pdf

#### Navigating to ADAMS

- > NRC homepage: http://www.nrc.gov
- > NRC Library
- > ADAMS Public Documents

# How the Public Gets Copies of Non-Electronic NRC Documents

- Search the ADAMS Legacy Library to locate the documents needed
- PDR staff verify that documents are not restricted either by availability or sensitivity
- PDR staff record billing and shipping information and prepare document requests
- The NRC's copy service contractor handles the reproduction, shipping, and associated billing of documents; additional information is available at: http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/ pdr/copy-service.html

### ADAMS Overview

- ADAMS is the official recordkeeping system through which the NRC provides access to vast "libraries" or collections of documents related to the agency's regulatory activities.
- Instituted November 1, 1999, ADAMS
   is also the NRC's solution to a
   congressional mandate to move
   toward a paperless environment.
- ADAMS is the foundation of the NRC's enterprise content management system, as described in NUREG-1954, "Enterprise Content Management: Streamlining How Staff and Stakeholders Work within the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's Regulatory Environment."

### Web-based ADAMS (WBA)

Benefits of the updated WBA include the following:

- Accessible using most popular Web browsers (e.g., Internet Explorer, Firefox, Safari)
- Ability to send a saved search as an attached text file or an embedded hyperlink within a document or e-mail
- Increased displays per page of search results to 500.
- Exports a list of documents into Excel or CSV (comma separated values)
- Has the ability to "hide package contents"
- Offers improved functionality and search retrieval

